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THE SCRIPTURE

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Leaders Handbook



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What Does the Bible do to a Believer?

The Purpose of the Word of God

1. **The WORD produces LIFE** (*John 6:63*)
 - ✓ It is Creative (*Hebrew 11:3, Psalm 33:6,9*)
2. **The WORD of God is like WATER**
 - ✓ It Cleanses (*John 15:3*)
 - ✓ It Keeps Clean (*Psalm 119:9-11*)
3. **The WORD of God is LIGHT for our LIVES** (*2 Pet. 1:19*)
 - ✓ It gives understanding in a Dark World (*Ps 19:8*)
4. **The WORD of GOD is Spiritual Food**
 - ✓ It Causes Spiritual Growth (*1 Cor. 3:1,2/ 1 Pet 2:2*)
5. **The WORD of God is Seed** (*Psalm 1:3, 2 Cor 9:10*)
6. **The WORD of God is like a SWORD** (*Eph. 6:17, Luke 4:1-14*)
7. **The Word of God Helps us to PRAY** (*John 15:7*)
8. **The WORD of God is Strong in US** (*Matt. 7:24,25*)

THE CANONICITY OF THE SCRIPTURES

It is the rule of standard by which the readers of the books of the Bible perceived that such a book is divinely authoritative because it is inspired.

It is the quality and is the character of the scripture by which they are rule of Faith and Life.

John Calvin and other scholars strongly claim that the church councils never canonized the scriptures. The church council just confirmed what already has been established as divine authority right from the beginning.

The scripture by its very own authority was canonical immediately upon its inscription.

Theological Meaning of CANONICITY

1. Divine Authority – the testimony of God the Holy Spirit to the authority of His own Words.
2. Self-Authenticating- the Bible is God's breath.
3. Authenticity – By authenticity, we mean that the books were written by either a PROPHET or an APOSTLE.

The Heart of the Bible *John 3:16*

The Bible is the Word of God

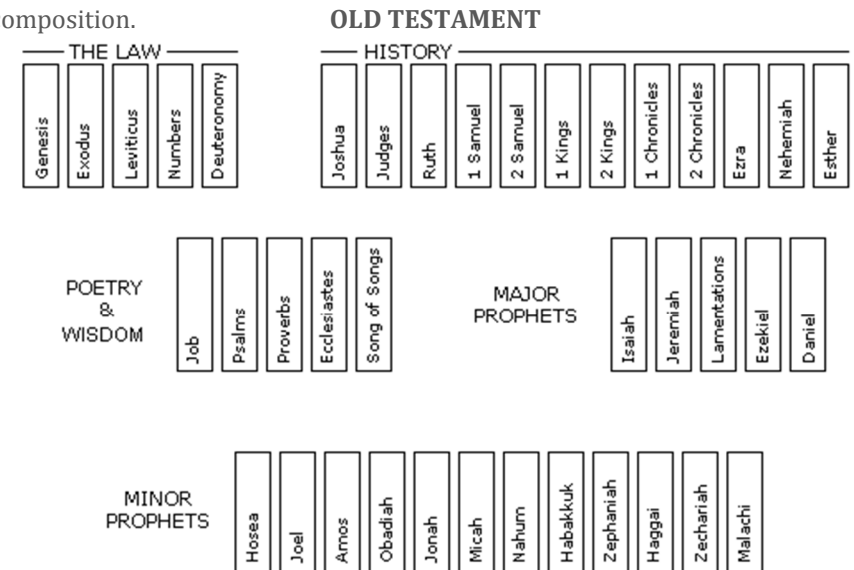
The Word of God- the Holy Bible- is God's special Book. It is not like other books, but is a Supernatural Book. It was written by many different people. who wrote by their inspiration of the Holy Spirit
2 Timothy 3:16-

It was written in three languages- Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek. The Bible you have has been translated by dedicated people so that you can have God's words, thoughts and plans.

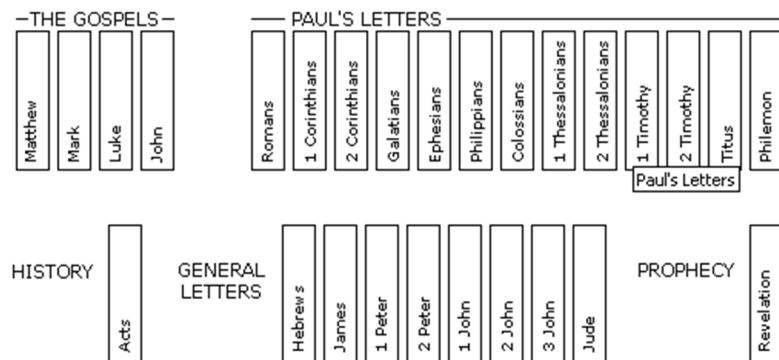
The bible is also one of the oldest books in the world. The most ancient portions of the Bible date back almost 4,000 years. Yet it is still the most modern book in the world today; for in it we find the answers to life's greatest questions:

1. Where did I come from?
2. Why am I here?
3. Where will I go?

Even the bible is made up to 66 smaller books, it has only one central theme: **God's Loving Plan To Rescue Mankind.** Take a glimpse of its composition.



NEW TESTAMENT



The Bible is divided into two sections:

1. The OLD TESTAMENT- Tells us about God's work with His people before the birth of Jesus Christ. This also covers the OLD COVENANT.
2. The NEW TESTAMENT- tells us about Jesus birth, His life, His great ministry of healing and forgiveness for sick and sinful people, His death on a cross, his being raised from the dead and his ascension. It also tells us about the continuation of His healing, forgiving ministry through those who saw Him after resurrection. This covers the NEW COVENANT.

Study the Bible

The most important relationship you can have in this life is with God. Through reading the Bible you come to understand what God is like-His thoughts, His plans and His promises for you. The Bible is organized into:

1. Books
2. Chapters (within the books)
3. Verses (within the chapters)

The Theological Concept of Revelation

There are two kinds of revelation as commonly understood by theologians

1. GENERAL REVELATION- this means revelation through nature and man

- Revelation through Cosmic Creation *Psalms 19:1, Romans 1:19-20*
- Revelation through Providence *Acts 14:17, Matthew 5:45*
- Revelation through Man
- Revelation through Conscience *Romans 2:15*

2. SPECIAL REVELATION—this is revelation through JESUS CHRIST and the Holy Scriptures.

- The Bible *John 5:39*
- The Holy Spirit *1 John 4:2-3, Acts 5:32*
- The Early Church Fathers/ Witnesses

The Inerrancy of the Scriptures

What is Inerrancy of the Scriptures?

The Inerrancy of Scriptures is the doctrine that the Bible is fully truthful in all its teachings.

The inerrancy of Scripture means that Scripture in the original manuscripts does not affirm anything that is contrary to fact.

- Inerrancy pertains to what is affirmed or asserted rather than what is merely reported.
- Judge the truthfulness of Scripture in terms of its meaning in the cultural setting in which statements were expressed.
- The Bible's assertions are fully true when judged in accordance with the purpose for which they were written.
- Reports of historical events and scientific matters are in phenomenal rather than technical language.
- Difficulties in explaining the biblical text should not be prejudged as indications of error.

Therefore the BIBLE is infallible in what it:

1. RECORDS
2. REPORTS
3. ASSERTS